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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

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Application No.: 08/478,387

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For: CHROMOSOME-SPECIFIC STAINING

TO DETECT GENETIC

REARRANGEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH CHROMOSOME 3 AND/OR

CHROMOSOME 17 (as amended)

Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: A. Marschel

**REPLY AND AMENDMENT** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated May 25, 1999, please amend the above-cited application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

50. (Amended) A method of staining targeted interphase chromosomal material based upon nucleic acid segment employing a unique sequence high complexity nucleic acid probe of greater than about 40 kilobases, wherein said targeted chromosomal material is a genetic rearrangement associated with chromosome 3 and/or chromosome 17 in humans, said method comprising

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